

What is claimed is:

1        1. A wireless communication system including a plurality of transmitting  
2        antennas and a plurality of receiving antennas through which signals are transmitted  
3        and received, the wireless communication system comprising:

4              a transmitter that restores feedback information from a predetermined  
5        feedback signal, weights an information signal with the restored feedback  
6        information, and converts the weighted information signal to a radio frequency signal  
7        in order to transmit the radio frequency signal; and

8              a receiver that receives the radio frequency signal to estimate the state of a  
9        channel through which the radio frequency signal is transmitted, calculates a weight  
10      of a dimensionality corresponding to the number of the transmitting antennas,  
11      approximates the weight as lower-dimensional one to extract feedback information,  
12      and converts the feedback information into a radio frequency signal to send the  
13      radio frequency signal to the transmitter.

1        2. The wireless communication system of claim 1, wherein the receiver  
2        comprises:

3              a baseband processor that extracts a baseband signal from the radio  
4        frequency signal and estimates the channel state;

5              a feedback information approximation unit that calculates the weight of a  
6        dimensionality corresponding to the number of the transmitting antennas, which  
7        maximizes a predetermined objective function, and approximates the weight as  
8        lower-dimensional one to extract the feedback information; and

9              a feedback unit that sends the feedback information back to the transmitter.

1        3. The wireless communication system of claim 2, wherein the  
2        predetermined objective function is  $P = \mathbf{W}^H \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H} \mathbf{W}$ , where a matrix  $\mathbf{H}$  denotes the  
3        channel state, a vector  $\mathbf{W}$  denotes the weight, and the superscript  $H$  denotes a  
4        Hermitian operator, the feedback information approximation unit calculates  $\mathbf{W}_{opt}$  that  
5        maximizes the objective function and approximates  $\mathbf{W}_{opt}$  to a lower dimension  
6        constituted by a predetermined basis vectors to extract the feedback information.

1        4. The wireless communication system of claim 3, wherein  $\mathbf{W}_{opt}$  is an  
2        eigenvector corresponding to a maximum eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H}$  in the objective  
3        function.

1       5. The wireless communication system of claim 1, wherein the transmitter  
2 comprises:

3           a feedback information restoring unit that restores feedback information from  
4 the radio frequency signal received from the receiver;

5           a baseband processor that encodes and modulates an information signal;

6           a weighting unit that multiplies the restored feedback information by an output  
7 signal of the baseband processor; and

8           a radio frequency processor that converts an output signal of the weighting  
9 unit to a radio frequency signal to output the radio frequency signal.

1       6. A wireless communication system including a plurality of transmitting  
2 antennas and a plurality of receiving antennas through which signals are transmitted  
3 and received, respectively, the wireless communication system comprising:

4           a transmitter that restores feedback information from a predetermined  
5 feedback signal, weights an information signal with the restored feedback  
6 information, and converts the weighted information signal into a radio frequency  
7 signal in order to transmit the radio frequency signal; and

8           a receiver that receives the radio frequency signal to estimate the state of a  
9 channel through which the radio frequency signal is transmitted, selects a number of  
10 basis vectors and their coefficients corresponding to the dimensionality of  
11 approximation among the basis vectors whose number corresponds to the number  
12 of the transmitting antennas, obtains a plurality of weights from the selected basis  
13 vectors and coefficients, extracts a weight that maximizes a predetermined objective  
14 function obtained from the channel state among the plurality of weights as feedback  
15 information, and converts the feedback information into a radio frequency signal in  
16 order to send the radio frequency signal to the transmitter.

1       7. The wireless communication system of claim 6, wherein the receiver  
2 comprises:

3           a baseband processor that extracts a baseband signal from the radio  
4 frequency signal and estimates the channel state;

5           a feedback information approximation unit that selects a number of basis  
6 vectors and their coefficients corresponding to the dimensionality of approximation  
7 among the basis vectors whose number corresponds to the number of the  
8 transmitting antennas, obtains a plurality of weights from the selected basis vectors  
9 and coefficients, extracts a weight that maximizes a predetermined objective

10 function obtained from the channel state among the plurality of weights as feedback  
11 information; and  
12 a feedback unit that sends the feedback information back to the transmitter.

1       8. The wireless communication system of claim 7, wherein an objective  
2 function is  $P_i = W_i^H H^H H W_i$ , where a matrix  $H$  denotes the channel state, a vector  $W_i$   
3 is a weight calculated from i-th selected basis vector and coefficient, and the  
4 superscript  $H$  is a Hermitian operator, the feedback information approximation unit  
5 extracts the weight  $W_i$  that maximizes the objective function as the feedback  
6 information.

1       9. A wireless communication method in which, when M radio frequency  
2 signals transmitted from a transmitter are received through multiple paths, feedback  
3 information is extracted from the received signals and the feedback information is  
4 sent to the transmitter, the method comprising the steps of:

5       (a) estimating states of channels comprising the multiple paths from the  
6 received signals;

7       (b) calculating a weight, which is fed back into the transmitter and multiplied  
8 by the M radio frequency signals, from the channel state;

9       (c) approximating the weight as dimension S which is less than M and  
10 quantizing coefficients for the approximated dimension; and

11       (d) feeding basis vectors and their quantized coefficients of the approximated  
12 dimension, or indices that identify the basis vectors and their quantized coefficients,  
13 back to the transmitter.

1       10. The method of claim 9, wherein, in the step (b), when the number of  
2 multiple paths is L,  $W_{opt}$  that maximizes an objective function expressed by  
3  $P=W^H H^H H W$  is extracted as the feedback information, where a matrix  $H$  having a  
4 size of  $L \times M$  denotes the channel state, a vector  $W$  having magnitude of  $M$  denotes  
5 the weight, and the superscript  $H$  denotes a Hermitian operator.

1       11 The method of claim 10, wherein the step (c) comprises the steps of:  
2 (c1) determining basis vectors that represent the M dimensions;  
3       (c2) calculating coefficients corresponding to the basis vectors from the inner  
4 product of the  $W_{opt}$  and each basis vector;

- 5                   (c3) selecting S coefficients among the coefficients calculated in the step (c2)  
6                   in order of magnitude and selecting basis vectors corresponding to the selected  
7                   coefficients; and  
8                   (c4) quantizing the selected coefficients.

1           12. The method of claim 9, if feedback signal includes the basis vectors  
2 and the quantization coefficients in the step (d), further comprising the steps of:

3 (e) extracting the basis vectors and the quantization coefficients from the  
4 feedback signal received from the transmitter;

5 (f) restoring feedback information from the extracted basis vectors and the  
6 quantization coefficients;

7 (g) weighting an information signal to be transmitted with the restored  
8 feedback information; and

(h) transmitting the weighted information signal.

1           13. The method of claim 9, if feedback information includes the indices in  
2 the step (d), further comprising the steps of:

3 (e) storing the base vectors and the quantization coefficients of S dimensions  
4 and indices identifying the basis vectors and the quantization coefficients,  
5 respectively, in the transmitter;

6 (f) extracting the indices from a received feedback signal and basis vectors  
7 and quantization coefficients identified by the indices among the base vectors and  
8 the quantization coefficients stored in the step (e);

9 (g) restoring feedback information from the extracted basis vectors and the  
10 quantization coefficients;

11 (h) weighting an information signal to be transmitted with the restored  
12 feedback information; and

(i) transmitting the weighted information signal.

1           14. A wireless communication method in which, when M radio frequency  
2 signals transmitted from a transmitter are received through multiple paths, feedback  
3 information is extracted from the received signals and the feedback information is  
4 sent to the transmitter, the method comprising the steps of:

5 (a) estimating states of channels comprising the multiple paths from the  
6 received signals;

7 (b) determining basis vectors that represent M dimensions;

8           (c) selecting S basis vectors among the determined basis vectors where S is  
9 less than M;  
10          (d) selecting one of N quantization coefficients for each basis vector;  
11          (e) obtaining feedback information  $W_i$  from the selected basis vectors and  
12 quantization coefficients; and  
13          (f) sending  $W_i$  or an index indicating  $W_i$  back to the transmitter if a  
14 predetermined objective function  $P_i$  generated from  $W_i$  and the estimated channel  $H$   
15 reaches a maximum.

1            15. The method of claim 14, wherein the objective function  $P_i$  is expressed  
2 by  $P_i = W_i^H H^H H W_i$  where the superscript  $H$  is a Hermitian operator.

1        16. The method of claim 14, wherein, if the predetermined objective  
2 function  $P_i$  does not reach a maximum, the steps (e) and (f) are repeated for  $M_Cs$   
3 cases in which another  $S$  basis vectors are selected from the  $M$  basis vectors and  
4 for  $N^S$  cases in which another quantization coefficient is selected for each of the  
5 selected  $S$  basis vectors.

1           17. The method of claim 14, if feedback information includes  $W_i$  in the step  
2 (f), further comprising the steps of:

- (g) extracting  $W_i$  from a received feedback signal;
  - (h) weighting an information signal to be transmitted with the extracted  $W_i$  ;
  - (i) transmitting the weighted information signal.

1           18. The method of claim 14, if feedback information includes the index in  
2 the step (f), further comprising the steps of:

- (g) storing selectable  $W_i$  and index indicating  $W_i$  in the transmitter;
  - (h) extracting the index from a received feedback signal and  $W_i$  identified by index;
  - (i) weighting an information signal to be transmitted with the extracted  $W_i$ ; and
  - (j) transmitting the weighted information signal.

1           19. The wireless communication system of claim 5, wherein the  
2 predetermined objective function is  $P=W^H H^H H W$ , where a matrix  $H$  denotes the  
3 channel state, a vector  $W$  denotes the weight, and the superscript  $H$  denotes a  
4 Hermitian operator, the feedback information approximation unit calculates  $W_{opt}$  that  
5 maximizes the objective function and approximates  $W_{opt}$  to a lower dimension  
6 constituted by a predetermined basis vectors to extract the feedback information.

1           20. The wireless communication system of claim 5, wherein  $W_{opt}$  is an  
2 eigenvector corresponding to a maximum eigenvalue of  $H^H H$  in the objective  
3 function.